*Reply of Government.*- The following villages are mentioned :--

1. Diddepur.
2. Surgur.
3. Kagalvadi.
4. Nagavalli.
5. Hardanhalli.
6. Doddamole.
7. Chikmole.
8. Kodimole.
9. Venkatapura.

Statistics will be obtained and opinions called for as to whether there is any real hardship on account of the contraction of the District Forests to obtain wood for agricultural purposes.

SUBJECT No. 332.

Prohibition of any increase of wet cultivation under the Megalve and Karigala tank.

Mr. M. Subba Rao, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

*Summary of discussion.*—Although the wet lands in the tail end of the Parvathanakatte and other parts lying under the nala drawn from the Hebballa called "Megalve," have been suffering much for want of sufficient water, one Mr. Gunja Narasimhaiya of Mysore obtained for cultivation some six hundred acres of land under the said Megalve about twelve years ago, and he was raising only dry crops thereon hitherto; but of late he has been trying to raise wet crops thereon. Another person who had obtained thirty acres of land much lower down than the said Gunja Narasimhaiya's land was raising wet crops; but he was ordered by the Deputy Commissioner that no wet crop should be raised on those lands. Higher up the said six hundred acres, persons who have obtained nearly two hundred or three hundred acres of land, and who have been paying kandayam in vain for the last fifty years and upwards with the hope of getting water from the Megalve to render their lands fit for wet cultivation, requested permission to raise wet crops; but they were not permitted to do so on the score that there was no Government Order to allow the same. It is not known how this Gunja Narasimhaiya was permitted to raise wet crops on his land to the detriment of other raiyats before the nala was improved. It is therefore requested that orders be issued to Gunja Narasimhaiya not to raise wet crops on his land until the nala is improved.

2. Increase of wet cultivation under the Karigala tank may, it is requested, also be put a stop to as wet cultivation under the Karigala nala is on the increase daily and the landholders would be inconvenienced for water-supply.

*Reply of Government.*— The Deputy Commissioner will prevent such innovation, and submit a special report. No. 2 also requires attention. The representation is reasonable.